

The Press and Banner

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Prohibition.

Whatever differences of opinion may here, tofore exist in this county in reference to prohibition, we are sure there can now be no doubt.

The vote stood 218 for prohibition, to 40 against prohibition.

Bradley and Cedar Springs gave a majority against prohibition and the majorities were very small. Twenty-four boxes gave majorities for prohibition. Only one box failed to vote.

As the people have spoken emphatically on this subject twice, it will be in order for the Legislators to place themselves on record—either as the servants or the masters of the people.

If there is a real effort to secure to us the blessings which prohibition should vouchsafe, adequate and special provision will be made.

Ordinarily prohibitionists have lost the fruits of their victory by making no sufficient arrangement for enforcing the law, and then those who were opposed to prohibition have been allowed to bring the law into ridicule or disrepute, and of no force.

While we do not claim to know how a practical plan may be devised, yet it is absolutely certain that the law can be enforced. The United States government enforces its law against illicit distilleries, but that government appoints an officer whose duty it is to enforce the law.

It is to hinder the Legislature from re-enforcing the County Commissioners to appropriate \$300 a year as salary to the policeman who would undertake the job? If either one of the policemen of this town received a salary to keep the town dry, they would keep it dry, as they now enforce other laws.

The county could well afford to pay the policeman something, and they would earn their money.

Pardons—Respite.

Some of our brethren of the press seem disposed to criticize Governor Tillman somewhat harshly for leniency towards defenseless prisoners under sentence of death, or undergoing punishment in the penitentiary. We are sorry to see this. Governor Tillman has not used the pardoning power very freely, and it is greatly to his credit if he listens to the appeals of those who can look to none other for succor.

The public need not be excited about the Governor's act in behalf of a few convicted negroes as long as our Juries acquit ninety-nine out of every hundred white murderers. We need Juries who will do their duty when white men are on trial, and less concern need be felt about the Governor in examining the claims of a poor defenseless negro. The negro is sure to get justice. No man need doubt this.

To Subscribers in Arrears.

We wish that every subscriber would examine the date of the label on his paper, which is intended to show the time to which each has paid.

If any error has occurred we will be glad to correct the same on notification of the mistake.

We ask each and every one to renew his subscription at the earliest date possible. Please do this on or before Sale Day in October.

Democratic to the Backbone.

During his stay in Abbeville last week our Congressman elect, Mr. Asbury C. Latimer, in view of the fact that he had been charged with being a Third Partyite, asked us to state in our paper that he is a Democrat; and that he always has been a Democrat; and that he had been a Democrat, even to the end of his life.

We believe his statement, and while we do not endorse all that he does, we cannot but believe that he will be false to the best interests of South Carolina, as he may see them.

We haven't read enough or taken enough interest in the fight at New Orleans to be able to tell our readers anything about them. The day for the gladiator has passed and the prize fighter should be suppressed.

Many newspapers are giving John L. Sullivan a dig. If he had been winner, it might have been different. We too often have very little sympathy for the underdog in the fight.

THE NEW SCHOOL HOUSE.

The School Bonds, and the Names of Those who Have Bought Them.

The School Committee are progressing with the work of constructing the new school building, and are selling the bonds as fast as money is needed.

The structure is ready for the roof and the tower is going up. The slate is on the ground, and the building is well advanced in its making.

The new building will not be finished in time for the opening of the school, but temporary arrangements will be made to use another building until such time as the new structure can be ready for the use for which it was intended.

The committee are striving to save every cent possible, and are selling the bonds at the beginning of the work, they have saved much money. The bonds are being sold at a discount, and the committee are making a matter of congratulation that the committee have been able to save so much money.

Up to last Friday morning sixty-nine of the one hundred and twenty bonds had been sold. The following is a list of the names of the subscribers, with the amount of their subscription.

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DISEASE AND DEATH.

Laziness—Fifth—Polluted Water—Impure Water—Sickness—Doctor's Bills.

The Asiatic cholera is knocking at our door, and we are in a very bad way. Several vessels are in New York harbor on which the passengers are suffering from this disease.

All this is alarming, and enough to scare the average citizen, but as a matter of fact, many of our own citizens are daily exposing themselves to a disease as deadly, and as much to be dreaded—typhoid fever—and yet are doing nothing to prevent its appearance in our homes.

There are wells that have not been cleaned out in a year, and there are scores of back yards that are reeking with filth, from which goes directly to the bottom of the well. A well drains the surface for three times its depth, and yet we allow all sorts of filth to lie on the surface of the ground surrounding the well.

If cholera is not, it is not done, the prevalence will not doubt soon be delivering homilies on the dispensation of divine providence, instead of telling the truth and exposing the filth that is polluting the wells. Cleanliness is the only way to prevent the disease. Only to the homes of those who drink polluted water or breathe impure air. Typhoid fever is not, and those who preach who charge death from typhoid fever to the filth that is polluting the wells, and who charge disease and premature death come from a violation of the laws of health. The filth that is polluting the wells, and who charge disease and premature death come from a violation of the laws of health. The filth that is polluting the wells, and who charge disease and premature death come from a violation of the laws of health.

When he seizes us with sickness, pain and death, he does so because of violated laws.

THE RIVER THAT ROARS.

The City that Sits on Seven Hills—Pretty Women—Preachers—Teachers—Post Office Inspectors—Barn School House—Fiscist—Death.

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T. M. K.'S REMARKS.

The City and the People of Mount Carmel.

Mr. Carmel, S. C., Sept. 10, 1892. Mr. Carmel has just passed through one more week of very dry and dusty weather, but she is right side up with care all the same, and don't you forget it.

The Abbeville Baptist Association was held in this town on the 6th and 7th, quite a large crowd assembled, and the services were very interesting. The different churches were well represented from the different churches. Splendid addresses were delivered by the different pastors on missions, temperance, and other subjects. The most popular place for visitors in the city.

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GREENWOOD'S LIGHT HOUSE.

SCINTILLATIONS FROM THE PEN OF A LIVE SCRIBE.

Interesting Items—Editorial Etchings—Reportorial Remarks—Personal Paragraphs—Miscellaneous Matters.

GREENWOOD, Sept. 10, 1892. Now that the election of champions, Sullivan, has been indignantly defeated and whipped, the probability is he will retire to some "dry town" and kill himself drinking bitter.

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